# A Resolution of the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners Relating to FY2014-15 Budget

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve the following:

# I. Capital Improvements at Rutherford County Schools and Isothermal Community College

The County Commissioners are aware of the capital maintenance, renovation and improvement needs of the County, Rutherford County Schools and Isothermal Community College. The County Commissioners will work to establish leadership committee(s) among the Board of Commissioners, Board of Education and Community College Board. The purpose of the leadership committee(s) will be to discuss long term capital improvements and funding sources.

• Engineering and cost estimate funds are to be utilized by the leadership committee(s) in their work.

The County Commissioners shall request that a County Commissioner liaison be part of Board-level facility committees at Isothermal Community College and Rutherford County Schools.

# II. Rutherford County Schools - Vehicle Replacement Plan

The County shall transfer \$99,000 in available revenues from FY2013-14 to initially fund within the County accounts a Vehicle Replacement Fund for Rutherford County Schools maintenance vehicles. Funding for replacement vehicles may be authorized by the County Manager after the Board of Commissioners has approved the Schools Vehicle Replacement Fund Plan, which shall be developed jointly by staffs from Rutherford County Schools and Rutherford County government.

## III. Solid Waste Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) Disposal Fee

There is hereby increased the Municipal Solid Waste Disposal (MSW) fee of \$57.00 per ton of MSW accepted at the Rutherford County Transfer Station. This rate increase from \$47 shall be effected with all MSW accepted on or after August 1, 2014, and shall remain in effect until changed by action of the County.

#### IV. Solid Waste Recycling Floor Fee

There is hereby established a Solid Waste Recycling Floor Fee of \$10.00 per ton or any fraction thereof, with a minimum fee of \$30 per load. This Fee shall be charged to any person or firm bringing to the Transfer Station any allowable recyclable solid waste that did not originate in Rutherford County. The County Manager or his designee is authorized to reject any or all recyclable solid waste that is brought to the Transfer Station. No recyclable solid waste originating outside of Rutherford County may be

brought to any Solid Waste convenience site owned or operated by the County without prior written approval of the County Manager or his designee. The County Manager may charge a lesser amount per ton if he finds: (a) the hauler will be bringing large loads of recyclables over a long period of time; (b) the amount charged exceeds the cost of providing the service; and, (c) he reports the lower charge to the Board of Commissioners.

## V. Solid Waste Disposal – Animal Remains

There is hereby levied a Animal Disposition Fee as shown below for the disposition of deceased animals at the Rutherford County Landfill:

Individual cat or dog – No charge.

All other animals or animal parts - \$37.00 per ton or 10.00, whichever is greater.

## VI. Solid Waste Convenience Site Fee

By way of clarification, the Solid Waste Convenience Site Fee applies to:

- A. All residents and businesses not served by municipal or private haulers
- B. Landlord in rental arrangement (house or apartment fee charged for each unit)
- C. Landowner in personal property manufactured home situation (SWMH, DWMH, and Leaseholds)
- D. Mobile Home Park owner is charged for each occupied space
- E. Chalets, extended stay motels and rental vacation homes are charged. Motels are charged by the unit.

Situations for Exemption from the Solid Waste Convenience Site Fee include:

- 1. Commercial Private Hauler that is approved by the county. \*\*
- 2. Residence is not 100% complete with a certificate of occupancy issued at January\*\*
- 3. Residence or business is located in a municipality that has its own trash collection.
- 4. House has been removed or destroyed by January 1. \*\*
- 5. OA Homestead Exclusion: No fee it total of all real owned in under \$25,000. Partial fee is charged if the total of all real owned is over \$25,000.
- 6. Tenant lives rent-free and qualifies for OA Homestead Exclusion.
- 7. House is not livable and all utilities have been disconnected for twelve months.
- 8. House is not occupied for nine out of twelve months.
- 9. House /Manufactured Home are used for storage. \*\*
- 10. Personal Property Manufactured Homes Charged to the landowner and not MH owner.

- 11. Manufactured Home is used as an extension of main home no extra fee if it is located on the same parcel.
- 12. Incorrect occupancy code in the computer requires verification. \*\*
- 13. Residence contiguous to a listed business owned by the same owner, and the business is serviced by a private hauler.
- 14. Property Owners Association provides for collection by a qualified hauler. Must be a member in good standing.
- 15. Value of dwelling (not manufactured home) is less than \$3,000.00.
- 16. Vacation home is occupied for less than three weeks each year. \*\*
  - \*\*Requires an application form and approved by the Revenue Department.

## VII. EMS Contract Services

Contributions to the rescue squad are budgeted but will not be released prior to the execution of a contract between a rescue squad and the County. Such contract must be executed by July 31, 2014 or the funding to that rescue squad will be reallocated to the capital outlay line item within the EMS budget.

#### VIII. Animal Control Fees

There are hereby established the following Animal Control Fees:

Housing Fee: \$5/day/animal Housing Fee in Quarantine: \$10/day/animal

Redemption Fee: 1<sup>st</sup> Free

 $2^{nd}$  \$25/animal  $3^{rd}$  \$50/animal

Returned Check Fee: \$25

Trap Rental: \$20/cat trap

\$40/dog trap

Rabies Vaccine: \$10 Chemical Capture Fee: \$75

#### X. Personnel – Positions

The County Manager is authorized and directed to amend the Personnel Policy and other policies, as needed, to provide that part-time positions will require employees to work no more than 19 hours in a scheduled work week in compliance with the State Retirement System "1000-Hour" rule. Additionally, the County Manager is authorized to implement the new certification process for Building Inspections, as well as, implement the EMS structured career lateral ladder to help promote paramedics to higher levels, including the Level III paramedic which will increase initial response coverage

# XI. Personnel-FMLA-Workers Compensation Leave

County Manager is authorized and directed to amend the Personnel Policy as follows: Family Medical Leave (FMLA) and Workers Compensation leave will run consecutively for any leave that falls under the FMLA criteria.

#### XII. Personnel - Inclement Weather

In the event of an inclement weather closing, employees who were previously approved to be off due to requested sick or vacation leave during the time of an inclement weather closing <u>do not</u> qualify to receive inclement weather pay. The previously approved leave will stand.

## XIII. FY2013-14 Closeout Budget Amendments

The County Manager is authorized, upon consultation with the Finance Officer, to transfer funds as necessary until June 30, 2014 for the purpose of balancing line items, departments and funds for the closeout of Fiscal Year 2013-14 and that the County Manager will report all such transfers to the Board of County Commissioners on or before their regular July 7th meeting.

	Chairman, Board of Commissioners
ATTEST:	
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Clerk, Board of Commissioners	